

WISSH
Wenham Issues of Social Services Help
Board Meeting minutes June 7, 2016

Present: Linda Rich, Marisa Bartlett, Julie Clay, Don Killam, Jane Pedersen, Cal Perkins, Tom Tanous, Mary Beth Ting. **Absent:** Anne Brainard, Candy Kuebel, Trudy Reid.

Minutes: Approved from April 5, 2016

Financials: The Financial Assistance Fund has a balance of \$10,110.72. The Elderly Housing Fund's balance is \$7,105.59.

Cases: (approved by email and signed during the meeting).

Case 327-16: Client is 70 years old. She receives \$904 monthly from Social Security. She has a part time job which gave her a surcharge of \$1500 on her housing rent. She has been paying \$40 a month towards this surcharge, with a current balance remaining of \$640. In addition, she has been receiving treatment for ovarian and breast cancer and has an \$8,000 bill for her health care treatment. She requested payment of the remaining housing surcharge of \$640. Tom and Mary Beth approved the payment, it was signed by Cal and

Case 328-16: Client is a single parent with 2 small children and has been maintaining her own home. She currently works at a local preschool, earning \$15/hour, with a 30 to 35 day work week. She has asked us to pay her Verizon bill in full, for \$253.66, as she is having trouble keeping up with the late fees. Jane and Trudy approved the payment. Tom and Don signed.

Board vacancies: Trudy and Ann are resigning from the Board. Mary Beth will be taking a full time job in the fall and asked if the Board would consider changing their meeting times to accommodate those who find it challenging to attend the morning meetings due to work constraints. The Board agreed to change the meeting times to 4:30 p.m.. Linda received a letter of interest from Tracey Hutchinson to join the Board. The Board moved to nominate Tracey . The necessary paperwork will be presented to the Board of Selectmen for approval.

Nominations: The Board voted in Marisa as Chairperson. Linda will stay on as Vice Chair for a year. Thank you Linda for doing such a great job the past two years and thank you Marisa for assuming the position of Chairperson!

Signature powers: The board members signed their signature , to be kept on record at Town Hall, enabling email approval.

Next Meeting: October 4, 2106 at 4:30
Remaining meetings for the calendar year:
February 7, 2017 at 4:30
April 11, 2017 at 4:30
June 6, 2017 at 4:30

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Julie Clay